

CITY OF LYNCHBURG

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2023 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME PROGRAM PUBLIC HEARING

TUESDAY, March 22, 7:30 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FIRST FLOOR, CITY HALL

ON THIS DATE CITY COUNCIL WILL CONDUCT A HEARING TO RECEIVE PUBLIC INPUT AND ADOPT THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2023 CDBG AND HOME PROJECTS. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds the CDBG and HOME Programs.

The final entitlement allocations for FY 2023 have not been received from HUD. The City anticipates receiving \$729,183 in CDBG entitlement funds with an additional \$70,949 in reprogrammable funds; for a total allocation available for CDBG funding of \$800,132.40. The City anticipates receiving \$413,856 in HOME Program entitlement funds with an additional \$58,849.21 in reprogrammable funds; for a total allocation available for HOME Program funds of \$472,705.21.

In accordance with applicable regulations, the City is publishing the following list of projects which are recommended for funding by the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC). <u>FINAL CITY COUNCILAPPROVAL/ADOPTION OF CDBG AND HOME FUNDING MAY VARY FROM THIS LISTING, BOTH IN TERMS OF THE PROJECTS THAT ARE APPROVED AND THE FUNDING AMOUNTS.</u>

CDBG PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING BY CDAC*:

City Administration	\$137,090.00
Jefferson Park Revitalization Improvements	\$240,000.00
Tinbridge Hill Neighborhood Pedestrian Improvements (Phase 2A)	\$125,000.00
Diamond Hill Neighborhood Plan and Improvement Project	\$87,602.40
Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority Enhance & Preserve (LEAP) Rehab.	\$100,000.00
Lynchburg Redevelopment and Housing Authority Rental Rehabilitation Program	\$30,000.00
Miriam's House-Coordinated Homeless Intake and Access (CHIA)	\$65,000.00
Blue Ridge Mountains Council Boy Scouts of America-Scoutreach	\$15,440.00
Total CDBG	\$800,132.40

*NOTE: DUE TO THE FACT THAT HUD HAD NOT PROVIDED THE FINAL ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATIONS FOR THE ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022; IT WAS THE RECOMMENDATION OF CDAC THAT ANY INCREASE IN THE ACTUAL FEDERAL FY 2022 CDBG ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT WOULD BE APPLIED TO THE DIAMOND HILL NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AND ANY DECREASE IN THE ACTUAL FEDERAL FY 2022 CDBG ENTITLEMENT AMOUNT WOULD BE APPLIED TO THE DIAMOND HILL NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

HOME PROGRAM PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR FUNDING BY CDAC**:

City Administration	\$33,000.00
Rush Lifetime Homes- Florida Terrace Rental Housing (CHDO)	\$200,000.00
Greater Lynchburg Habitat for Humanity Knott Street Development	\$152,865.00
Lynchburg Rehabilitation and Housing Authority HOME for Good	\$86,840.21
Total HOME	\$472,705.21

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The primary objectives of the CDBG Program are to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income levels. CDBG funds are planned to be used for the following range of activities: neighborhood redevelopment/revitalization, housing acquisition and rehabilitation services, homeless and at-risk youth services, and housing resources. Further, the City estimates that over 70 percent of the total CDBG funds for FY 2023 funding will benefit low/moderate income persons.

The primary objectives of the HOME Program are to expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary and affordable housing. HOME funds are planned to be used for the following range of activities: promote development of affordable homeownership and rental housing, moderate or substantial rehabilitation, and homebuyer assistance for low- and moderate-income households.

The City will minimize temporary and permanent displacement of persons as a result of the CDBG and HOME program activities. However, there may be occasions where relocation may be necessary to achieve the City's overall housing and community development goals. The City intends to assure that the rights of the affected residents are protected.

Reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate non-English speaking persons who wish to speak. Likewise, the City will make reasonable efforts to accommodate persons with disabilities. Persons needing special accommodations or translators should make their request to Haley Campbell, Community Development Program Coordinator (434-455-3929) in the Grants Administration Office no later than March 15, 2022 so that special needs and/or accommodations can be arranged.

Citizens are invited to submit comments at the noted public hearing on the projected use of funds.

A description of these project activities may be reviewed at the Grants Administration Office, Second Floor, City Hall.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Grants Manager at 434-455-3916.

